

Patient-Centered Medical Home Advisory Council  
Meeting Minutes  
March 07, 2012

Office of the Commissioner of Securities and Insurance (CSI) Conference Room, Helena and by phone

**Members present**

**Paula Block**, CHC-Montana Primary Care Association  
**Dr. Doug Carr**, Billings Clinic  
**Dr. Paul Cook**, Rocky Mountain Health Network  
**Dr. Janice Gomersall**, Montana Academy of Family Physicians  
**Dr. Jonathan Griffin**, St. Peter's Medical Group  
**John Hoffland**, DPHHS Medicaid, Passport to Health  
**Kristin Juliar**, Montana Office of Rural Health  
**Carol Kelley**, Bozeman Deaconess Internal Medicine Associates  
**Dr. Jay Larson**, Independent Provider  
**Lisa Wilson**, Parents, Let's Unite for Kids-PLUK  
**Rick Yearry**, Regional Extension Center  
**Dr. Rob Stenger**, Grant Creek Family Practice, St. Patrick's Hospital  
**Cindy Stergar**, CHC-Butte Silver Bow Primary Care Clinic  
**Dr. Fred Olson**, BCBS MT  
**Bob Olson**, MHA  
**Cori Cook** for **Kirsten Mailloux**, EBMS  
**Bernadette Roy**, CHC-Partnership Health Center  
**JP Pujol**, New West Health Services

**Members absent**

**Dr. Deborah Agnew**, Billings Clinic Pediatrician  
**Bill Pfingsten**, Bozeman Deaconess Health Group  
**Dr. Jerry Speer**, Benefis Health System  
**Claudia Stephens**, Montana Migrant and Seasonal Farm Worker Council  
**Dr. Tom Roberts**, Western Montana Clinic  
**Todd Lovshin**, Allegiance Life and Health Company

**Interested parties present**

Will Robinson, NCQA  
Janice Mackensen, Mountain Pacific Quality Health  
Dror Baruch, EBMS  
Sarah Lane, President MT. Assoc. of Naturopathic Physicians  
Pat Murdo, Legislative Services  
Dr. Scott Sears, St. Vincent Healthcare

**CSI staff present**

Christine Kaufmann  
Christina Goe  
Amanda Roccabruna Eby – Minutes Recorder

**Council Chair, Dr. Carr called the meeting to order at 1:02pm**

**1) Roll Call, Agenda Review and approval of minutes from last meeting**

**Dr. Fred Olson moved and Paula Block seconded a motion to adopt the minutes from the meeting on February 8<sup>th</sup>. The motion passed unanimously.**

**2) Quality Metrics Subcommittee report**

Subcommittee Chair, Dr. Griffin reported that the group was working in the background, but not holding meetings currently. The group is awaiting a new crosswalk tool being prepared by Mountain Pacific that will be useful in narrowing down its list of metrics. **Dr. Griffin called for a meeting on April 4<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with the full advisory Council**, when all believe the tool will be ready. He asked any other payers with quality measures for which they might provide incentive payments to be in touch with him. Medicaid discussed the HEDIS measures in their "healthy measures" program, but said there were not incentive payments in place.

Members of the group are also having conversations with HSM/Covisant. Notes from the last meeting are on the [web page](#).

### 3) **Discussion of provider education**

Dr. Carr spoke on behalf of the education committee. He noted that they had just had a meeting and set the content and date for the first webinar [*announced as March 22, but later changed to March 27<sup>th</sup>*] Notes from their previous two meetings are available on the [web page](#).

### 4) **Discussion of Bill Draft**

Members discussed the most recent bill draft and provided comments to CSI staff for a future draft. Discussion points included the following:

- **New Section 1— (1) should be reworked and moved below (2).**
  - Payers can and already do (a) and (b). If the bill fails, does it impact that ability?
  - (c) lumps several concepts together in a confusing way. Patients may need to elect to have medical information shared, but not to participate in a PCMH. PCMH is a practice change that benefits all patients (whether they elect it or not). Some parts of section 1 appear to be duplicated in other sections.
  - **(2)** Discussion occurred on whether the commission is essential to the bill, or alternatively, a good-government, preferred policy. Could we do this without a commission? The alternative is to vest the program in a single agency, such as CSI or DPHHS. That has implications for transparency, political stability, and adequate representation by knowledgeable stakeholders. **Members asked for indication on how much a Commission costs.**
- **New Section 2—(2)** Group suggested that all language after “health benefit plan” could be stricken because the terms are defined more fully in (4)
  - (4) Group discussed the need for a broad catch-all term that would include all federal programs
  - (6) Group discussed the need to include PAs and geriatricians, and whether “licensed” was too broad, but did not reach conclusion. Suggested including “providing primary care” at the end.
- **New Section 3—(7)** Group suggested the commission be required to meet only 2 times a year.
- Group will consider and email suggestions for **New Sections 4 and 5**
- **New Section 6—(1)** seems like this subsection establishes the anti-trust provisions and duplicates Section 1.
  - (d) should be eliminated if possible. Same issue about enrolling and agreeing to participate as in Section 1
  - (2) Do we need something about evaluation using evidence-based standards?

Council Members were invited to submit additional comments by email. **CSI will produce a new draft by March 28.**

### 5) **Public Comment**

The public included Sarah Lane, Montana President of the Association of Naturopathic Physicians, Will Robinson of NQCA, and Pat Murdo of Legislative Services; they offered comments informally throughout the discussion. There was no additional public comment.

**6) Review of work plan**

This item was deferred to a future meeting

**7) Additional agenda items**

None

**8) Updates/Announcements**

NASHP TA State team leaders will be on a kick-off webinar on Friday. Dr. Carr will present the work of the Council

**9) Schedule for 2012**

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| a. April 4 (Helena) | d. July –No meeting | g. October 3 (phone)   |
| b. May 2 (phone)    | e. August 1 (phone) | h. November 7 (Helena) |
| c. June 6 (Helena)  | f. Sept. 5 (Helena) | i. December 5 (phone)  |

The meeting adjourned at 3:50